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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is filed in reply to the Office Action mailed June 17, 2002.

Enclosed with this response is a Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is authorized to debit the \$160.00 fee for this submission from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

Also enclosed with this response is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. The Commissioner is authorized to debit the \$180.00 fee for this submission from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

No other fees are believed to be due with this Response; however, the Commissioner is authorized to debit any fee that may be required to maintain the pendency of this application from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.